

Poetry Out Loud Scavenger Hunt

Name:

Value: 34 Homework points for completion

Directions: For each of the directions below, find a poem on the Poetry Out Loud website (poetryoutloud.org). Write the title and author of the poem you find for each item. You may use a poem and author more than once, but c'mon... really?

Find a poem that...

- 1. is about love, and is joyful or celebratory:*
- 2. is about love, and is longing or heartbroken:*
- 3. is about death, and is mournful or grief-stricken:*
- 4. is about death, and is reassuring or calming:*
- 5. is specifically about the death of someone the speaker loves:*
- 6. is specifically about the speaker's own death:*
- 7. is trying to convince someone to sleep with the speaker:*
- 8. was written before 1900:*
- 9. was written before 1800:*
- 10. includes words in a language other than English:*
- 11. was written by a member of the Harlem Renaissance (use the Internet to help you find a list of H.R. poets):*
- 12. is written in vernacular English:*
- 13. is written in English you find difficult to understand:*
- 14. is about race or racial identity, or culture or cultural identity:*
- 15. is a ballad (tells a story):*

16. *is an ode (an extended description of a person, place, or thing):*
17. *is about war:*
18. *is written by a poet you've heard of before:*
19. *is written by a poet you've never heard before:*
20. *has a very strong meter and rhyme scheme:*
21. *is written in free verse (has no set meter or rhyme scheme):*
22. *is funny:*
23. *is about or mentions an animal:*
24. *has a speaker who feels at home in one way or another:*
25. *has a speaker who feels out of place in one way or another:*
26. *is set in a particular season:*
27. *is set in the city:*
28. *is set in the country:*
29. *is about family:*
30. *expresses the speaker's good feelings about her/himself:*
31. *expresses the speaker's bad feelings about her/himself:*
32. *that you really, really like:*
33. Explain why you really, really like the poem you selected for #32.

34. Print this poem out, and bring it to class. Staple it to this sheet when you hand it in.